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1. Technical Bureau for Ship Construction, Warnemünde, Am Strom 110. This bureau was originally planned for the development of shipyards for the mass production of destroyers and subsequently for the development of a standard type of destroyer. The functions of the bureau have now been divided: one group is completing the plans for the shipyard construction, the other group supervises the repairing of ships which formerly belonged to the German merchant fleet. The idea of designing a destroyer in Warnemünde for construction in Russia has been abandoned. There were only merchant ships in the port of Warnemünde, at the end of January 1949. A former HAPAG steamer was being repaired at a small wharf; the present name of the ship is ASIA. Hereafter this Technical Bureau will concentrate on repairs of German ships being turned over to Russia, and on ships raised from the Baltic Sea.

2. Neptun Shipyards in Rostock. These shipyards are primarily engaged in overhauling former German warships. At the end of January there were about 4,000 workers employed. The only ship there was the former German destroyer Z-42, now called PROVORNY, which was almost ready.

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3. Karl Marx Shipyards in Wismar. These shipyards were established after the end of the war with the equipment and personnel of the Vulkan Shipyards in Stettin, when Stettin was turned over to the Poles. The Karl Marx Shipyards are primarily engaged in repairing former German merchant ships which were found in Baltic seaports at the end of the war. During January three of these ships were being converted into training ships: one sailing vessel, one motor ship, and one turbine-driven ship.

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He was informed that the shipyards in Stettin, Königsberg,
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vessels and repairing them as best they could.

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